

TELEGRAPHIC.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22.

Premier Greenway is in Toronto.
Bishop Finch, of Kildare, is dead.
Canadian nurses in United States hospitals are to be deported.
Winnipeg bank clearings increased last week 24.8 per cent.

A mob lynched three accused murderers at Russellville, Kentucky.

Forty-five Circassian women of the Sultan's harem have been arrested.

Total capital of Canadian gold mining companies aggregates over \$290,000,000.

United States navy officers complain that there is no reserve ammunition for rifled guns.

Arkansas white workmen shot down several negro laborers, fatally wounding some.

Mrs. Steinhilber, accused of poisoning her husband, will be extradited from the States.

In the Saskatchewan election Davis, liberal, leads McPhail, liberal, by 118 majority.

In the Italian chamber of deputies a row occurred in which several members were severely beaten.

Hon. Clifford Sifton has arrived at Ottawa and will enter upon his departmental duties to-day.

The election in Cornwall and Stormont resulted in the return of Suettinger, liberal, by 528 majority.

Captain Sinclair, secretary to Lord Aberdeen, is likely to accept the nomination for Forfarshire.

Several new mining companies have been organized by Ottawa men to operate in the Lake of the Woods region.

In the North Brandon bye-election, J. C. Fraser, liberal, was elected by 150 majority over Postlethwaite, patron.

The British North American squadron is to be increased to fifteen ships and new fortifications are to be built on the Atlantic coast.

Ambassadors of the great powers were in conference at Constantinople yesterday, and important developments are expected shortly.

Hon. S. A. Fisher, Canadian minister of agriculture, and Secretary Morton, of the United States cabinet, have agreed to modification of the international quarantine regulations.

The United States senate has passed the Cameron resolution to acknowledge the independence of Cuba. Senator Canova of the Spanish government does not regard the action of the senate as serious. London newspapers look upon the resolution as mere idle talk.

TODAY'S TRAIN.

Two cars sundries for various parties.

LOCAL.

JAS. WALSH returned from a business trip to Wetaskiwin on Thursday's train.

A BASKET social will be held in Horne Hill school house on Tuesday evening, Dec. 29th.

The upper storey of the Edmonton Saddlery Co.'s building is being fitted up as a hall.

The royal insurance Co. has issued a very handsome colored calendar for 1897. G. W. Gairdner, agent.

PUBLIC school closes for the Christmas holidays on Wednesday, and will re-open on Monday, Jan. 4th.

STILL another case of small pox has occurred in Winnipeg. Mary Bruce, aged 10, sister of a boy already suffering, has been attacked.

A DEAR for the convenience of the public who wish to send or stamp letters or make out money orders has been added to the fittings of the post office.

ROSS RIDGE Roman Catholic public school district opened on Dec. 9th as a yearly school with 18 names on the attendance roll. J. E. Campbell, teacher.

The days are at their shortest and they are very short. But the mild weather we have been enjoying has done a great deal to lessen their annual dreariness. To-morrow they will begin to lengthen.

A VERY slight crust has been formed on the snow by the mild weather, but not enough to interfere with horses which are feeding out. Indeed they are doing better than when the snow was lighter.

A TWELVE year old son of George Gould, of Wetaskiwin, has killed 65 coyotes and three red foxes this season. He runs them down on horseback accompanied by a dog and shoots them with a revolver.

The December number of Farming, an excellent illustrated agricultural magazine published in Toronto, is to hand. It is splendidly gotten up and profusely illustrated. The subscription price is only \$1.00 a year.

Messrs. McDougall & Seord, who last year imported over six car loads of flour for their northern trade, will this year purchase their entire supply from the product of the local mills. This will mean a good many thousand dollars to the district as compared with last year.

Copies of the acts passed at the last session of parliament have been received. The appropriation act is the only public act of importance. The private acts number 13, of which the act incorporating the Hudson's Bay & Pacific railway company is the only one relating to the Northwest.

Geo. W. Gairdner has shown us an enlarged photograph in a handsome frame of his late father, General Gairdner, taken by Mr. Mathers from an old likeness. Mr. Gairdner resembles his father in appearance, and the execution is all that could be desired. Mr. Mathers is to be congratulated on another piece of splendid work.

WAGGON'S Guide for December contains the latest official changes of travel including the new Northern Pacific time card and the Dauphin Railway service, ocean steamships, changes in mail service, new post offices, county court sittings for '97, new municipalities, revised list of bankers, calendar and festival days, weather record, etc. With this issue the Guide complete; its thirteenth year of publication.

SKATING to night.

CHRISTMAS on Friday.

CHRISTMAS trade brisk.

MILD weather continues.

HOCKEY practice on Friday evening last.

CURLING on the schedule begins to-morrow.

SUN rose at about ten minutes to nine this morning.

A. JOHNSON, of the Herald went south on Friday's train.

JOSEPH KELLY shipped a car of oats to Sandou on last train and ships another to-morrow.

JACKSON & GIBSON expect to be removed to the Alberta hotel by Wednesday evening.

S. S. TAYLOR's auction sale at his residence was fairly well attended on Saturday. It will be continued this evening in the Taylor block, Jasper Avenue.

FOR coming in slowly as yet and only in small lots. No competitions since last issue. W. B. Stennett reports purchases of small lots \$35, J. Walsh \$68.

SPECIAL general meeting of board of trade in town hall on Wednesday evening Dec. 23rd, being a postponement of the meeting called for last Tuesday evening.

Plainsdealer, South Edmonton: H. Wilson, manager of La Banque Jacques Cartier, informs us that for the last three weeks he has cashed on an average \$1,000 per day of grain cheques.

THE keeper of the town pound complains that a calf advertised in the BULLETIN as impounded was taken out of the pound on Friday night, the fence having been broken down in order to do so.

FRANK WALKER, Agricola, left for Sandou on Friday's train, taking two working teams and a quantity of oats. He will join his brother Arthur there in teaming and general dealing at the mines.

MEDICINE HAT is supplied with local coal at \$3.00 a ton. The News figures that coal being supplied locally instead of being imported means \$10,000 a year to the town at lower prices and employment of local labor.

BRACKMAN & KEE purchased 3,600 bushels of oats on Friday and expected to reach 4,000 on Saturday. Their purchases during the past two weeks have averaged 2,500 a day, and during the season they have purchased 65,000 bushels to date.

The following officers of Court Clyde, No. 8382, A. O. F., South Edmonton, were elected for the current term: P. C. R. Bro. Healey; C. R., Bro. McLean; S. C. R., Bro. Tranter; secretary, Bro. McIntyre; treasurer, Bro. Davies; S. W., Bro. Turnbull; J. W., Bro. Bissett; S. B., Bro. Goslin; J. B., Bro. Fowler.

THE Canadian Home Journal for December, published in Toronto, edited by the well known writer, Edith Fenton, late of the Empire, has reached us. It is artistically gotten up, full of Xmas spirit, well illustrated, and in every way justly claims to be the leading ladies' paper of Canada. Single copies, 10c; or \$1.00 a year. Address, Home Journal Publishing Co., Globe Building, Toronto.

THE moose is probably the shyest animal of the deer kind, and would naturally be supposed to be the most untamable. But Peter Pruden, of New Lunnon, has a cow moose two years old which he has driven to the sleigh and is now breaking to the saddle. She is quite tame and shows very little tendency to wander away, although allowed to be at large. Mr. Pruden procured a pair from Mr. Ladouceur, of Lac la Biche, about three years ago, when they were calves. Mr. Pruden at once broke them to harness and drove them single and double. Unfortunately the bull was killed by lightning the summer before last. The cow is now about six feet high at the shoulders and is not yet full grown. Mr. Pruden will rifle her at the Alberts hotel on January 18th.

HOCKEY.

Hockey match on Christmas afternoon at 2:30 between the Edmonton club and the mounted police club of Fort Saskatchewan. Practice Tuesday and Friday evenings and Wednesday afternoon, and it is particularly requested that skaters leave the ice at 9:30 p.m. until Christmas to give the hockey men a further chance in the limited time at their disposal to practice for Friday's match.

FRIDAY'S TRAIN.

1 car oats Trail.
1 car oats New Westminster.
1 car oats Sandou.
1 car horses Arrowhead.
1 car cattle Calgary.
2 way cars.

CHRISTMAS POSTAL NOTICE.

If the train on Christmas eve is on time or nearly so the general delivery of the Edmonton post office will be opened after the mail is distributed until 11 o'clock. The office will not be opened on Christmas day.

KOOTENAY TRADE.

During November the Kootenay district imported through the custom house to the amount of \$134,069, on which duty to the amount of \$25,422 was collected. The exports included 531 tons of ore worth \$55,204 and matte to the value of \$102,325.

THE UNIVERSAL OPINION.

Winnipeg despatch to Toronto Telegram: There will be no small storm of indignation here if the Dominion government should grant a big subsidy and hand over the projected Crow's Nest Pass railway to the C. P. R. The idea is abroad, rightly or wrongly, that the C. P. R. has more influence with the Laurier government than is good for the welfare and prosperity of the country, and Winnipeg especially is awaiting the government's action to see whether or not the suspicions are well founded.

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It is becoming quite the custom now to give a piece of Furniture for a Xmas Present. In fact the manufacturers appear to be aiming at getting out something neat, tasty, strong and durable; just such articles as would be acceptable for the above purpose and at such prices that will not embarrass the most economical buyer these hard times. We have nice Bamboo Tables with Oak Top and Shelf at \$1.50; Oak and Bamboo Book Shelves, Wall Pockets, Wall Brackets, Photo Frames and Pictures running from 75c. up to \$2.00. Should you wish something better, we would like to mention our Cobbler-seat Rockers in Oak at \$4.50, the best value in Rockers ever shown in Edmonton. Our warerooms are full of so many things that will help to make your home comfortable and attractive and that will remain such for years. We are confident that in the future you will feel that the furniture dealer is not the only one that has profited by your investment. Come and we will help you choose something.

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Came to my premises in September last one bay mare with star on forehead, white on left hind foot about six inches long; weight, about 1500 pounds. No brand.

P. AUVE, Monteville.

EDMONTON BOARD OF TRADE.

The special general meeting of the members called for this evening at 8 o'clock in the Town Hall, is hereby postponed to the evening of Wednesday, the 23rd inst., at the same hour and place.

By order of the President, ISAAC COWIE, Secretary. Edmonton, 18th Dec., 1896.

TENDERS

Are requested for the supply of coal for the Electric Light Station for 1897. Coal to be stacked coal passed over a five-eighths screen; called nut coal. Tenders to be in by the 31st Dec. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

ST. GEO. J. KELLY, Sec. - Treas.

Xmas Tree . . . Entertainment

A Xmas Tree Entertainment will be given by the Clover Bar Sunday School at the old Clover Bar Crossing on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd. Doors open at 7.30 p. m. Admission, 25c. All are cordially invited.

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FRANK OLIVER, — PROPRIETOR.
EDMONTON BULLETIN, DECEMBER 21st, 1906

LABORERS' RATE.

One great drawback to the settlement of Northern Alberta, as proven by the experience of the past four years, is the fact that being a vast area where agriculture is the only industry and that merely in process of development, there is no employment on a large scale at which cash wages can be earned by the homesteaders of the poorer class—which is by far the most numerous class—while waiting for their first crop, and in case of accident or misfortune their second or third crop. The homesteader who arrives in the summer of any year cannot depend on a return in crop for his time and labor until October or November of the following year. This is a long wait, say eighteen months, during which a family has to be supported. This could be done if employment was to be had at any reasonable wages during part of the time, as was generally the case during the process of settling up Ontario and has always been the case, to some extent, in Manitoba. Besides the necessary wait of the first twelve or eighteen months, there is always the possibility of crop failure—in Northern Alberta as well as in other countries. When the settler is depending upon a few acres of crop for bread for his family and that fails, if there is no employment to be had he suffers and is discouraged, and his suffering and discouragement becomes a general drawback and injury to the locality. If the investment of capital on a large scale in some enterprise which would employ labor on a large scale, particularly in the winter season, could be secured there would be nothing in the way of the success of the industrious settler, no matter how poor he was to begin with. There is no such prospect in sight as far as Northern Alberta itself is concerned, but in the immediately adjoining province of British Columbia there is just such investment of capital and employment of labor as would meet the case exactly. The trouble is that the labor of British Columbia is not within reach of the settler of Alberta. That is to say: the expense of reaching the labor field of British Columbia and returning is so great as to debar any but the very few and fortunate from availing themselves of the opportunity. If the railway fare between the homesteads of Alberta and the lumber forests and mines of British Columbia were reduced so that the cost of going and returning would still leave a man some fair proportion of his earnings to be used in the support of his family and the improvement of his farm, this district would have all the advantages of proximity to an unlimited labor field, and the rapidity of settlement of the district would be increased immeasurably. This principle has already been recognized by the C. P. R. to a certain extent. And cheap rates have been granted in special cases to enable settlers who were absolutely unable to remain on their homesteads to avail themselves of the employment offered in British Columbia. The same thing has been done to enable settlers to go back to the States and earn wages. Any reason that might exist for the extending of cheap trip privileges privately to certain settlers exists in a very much greater degree to make the privileges general and public. The certainty of being able to reach remunerative employment from the homestead would be the great leading inducement to settlers to come here. The fact that they do not know that they can have this privilege deters thousands from coming, many of whom might never need to avail themselves of the privilege, but they will not put themselves in a position to endanger the subsistence of themselves or families. Indeed, the cheap trip has only been granted in isolated and extreme cases. What harm could possibly result to the ordinary passenger business of the company from the public and definite announcement of cheap laborers' rates, any more than in the case of the Ontario harvest excursions to Manitoba, which is a somewhat similar case. Let the present, or prospective settler in North Alberta know that he certainly can procure remunerative employment during the winter months and this dis-

trict could accept to advantage a most desirable class of immigrants for which it now offers no field. Monthly excursions at a cent a mile rate, to go and the same to return on much the same principle as to arrangements as the Manitoba harvest excursions would fill the bill. The settlers coming from the United States get a rate of a cent a mile, then why should the same settlers when desirous of earning a little money not be allowed a like rate. Supposing more people should go or come than actually wanted to work in British Columbia or homestead in Alberta, what matter. The company would lose nothing at all. The cheap excursion granted last fall from Edmonton to the coast and Kootenay was without doubt the foundation of the present large trade being done with the latter district. To cheapen the cost of intercommunication between two districts which have a commercial interest in each other never yet did a railway company any harm, and certainly always benefits the districts concerned.

C. P. R. EMIGRATION POLICY.

The strongest claim now or ever made on behalf of the C. P. R. is that it is a Canadian enterprise. On the theory that the C. P. R. is the "Dominion on wheels" as some of its magnates are said to have boasted, it is thoroughly Canadian, but not on any other theory. One leg of the C. P. R. is the Soo line, which traverses the United States for about a thousand miles, passing through Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, South Dakota and North Dakota. It is not only a part of the C. P. R., but it is the pet of the whole system, the special enterprise and favorite of President Van Horn. Some of the work it is doing for Canada is outlined in the following despatch from St. Paul, dated Dec. 14th:—"The Soo line has made more trouble for the western roads by announcing that from Dec. 15th to 31st, it will make a rate of one fare for the round trip from St. Paul and Minneapolis, to Montreal and all points in Eastern Canada, Nova Scotia and New England. The tickets are to have a final return limit of three months from the date of sale." No doubt this excursion rate of the Soo line between Eastern Canada and the Northwestern States is a strictly business transaction. But wherein does the advantage to Canada come in, when this part of its very own railway system steps in, when its competitors had ceased) to give special opportunity to Eastern Canadians to remove to the Western States. Was this what Canada bonused the C. P. R. for? Business is business.

Hon. T. M. DALY, late minister of interior, visited England on his retirement from office, in the capacity of an immigration commissioner, and he has issued his report. The all-wise Free Press has decided on a perusal of the report that "The methods themselves (regarding immigration) are not so much at fault; the trouble is we do not make the best use of them." In other words we should continue paying money as we have been paying it, but should pay more of it. It is only natural that given even Mr. Daly the opportunity to defend his methods which this commission and report give him, and he would be a poor lawyer indeed if he could not make something of a defence, at least to the mind of the Free Press whose pet he was. But the question is easily decided: If an expenditure of \$150,000 a year for ten years results in nothing, what would be the result of double the expenditure for a like term. A straight answer to this problem should settle the question of the necessity for a change of methods.

CORRESPONDENCE.

EDITOR BULLETIN.

Sir—I see by the Fort Saskatchewan correspondence a sort of mild complaint regarding irregularity in and around Fort Saskatchewan. It appears to me that there is reason for these complaints when there is from 25 to 30 men and officers to look after any irregularities such as stealing and drunken rows; and when those things happen within a call of the headquarters of all those men certainly they must be something lacking. It is high time a complaint was made. Would it not be better to have some good constable look after these things and put a stop to petty stealing in the town and also stop the drunken brawls which frequently happen. If the N. W. M. Police are so busy that a man cannot be spared to look after such things why not have a civilian appointed?

A CITIZEN.

Fort Saskatchewan, Dec. 14th, '06.

HOW IT CAME.

Winnipeg Tribune: The question is asked, "How did the smallpox case find its way here, and how did it spread?"

In the first place the doctor on board the Parisian apparently did not notice a mild case of smallpox amongst the immigrants. The quarantine officer at port of landing passed the same. Then the medical attendant at the immigration hall here sent a case of smallpox up to the Winnipeg general hospital as a case of measles without due investigation. At the hospital the patient occupied the measles ward with others for three days after the rash was fairly well developed without the medical attendant knowing what it was. A medical man in town, according to his own statement, had a suspicious case in his office. Instead of sending that case back to the infected house from which he came, he gave him an order for admission to the general hospital, where there are at least 200 people, more or less exposed. Not being admitted there, he was examined and directed by the medical superintendent of the Winnipeg general hospital to go to St. Boniface hospital, where there were 150 people exposed, more or less. In travelling between the doctor's office and these two hospitals there was an unknown number exposed on the street cars.

All of those who have contracted the disease up to date, four in number outside the first two immigrants, contracted it from exposure in the Winnipeg general hospital. It is thought by citizens that a full, through public investigation of the whole matter should be at once instituted.

There is a general feeling that everything that can be in being done by the medical profession to repair the mistakes of the first few days, but it is feared the last cases have not yet been seen.

GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF RATES.

Hon. Mr. Blair, minister of railways, in addressing a public meeting at Sandon recently declared in uncompromising terms that the government would see that freight rates were controlled by them as far as the aid given permitted.

THE BALL STILL ROLLS.

Archbishop Fabre through his organ, the Semaine Religieuse, has issued a strong fulmination against the proposed settlement of the school question. The settlement, he declares, is no settlement and no settlement will be accepted until all rights guaranteed to the Catholics are restored. His article says the question will again be brought up in parliament and that Langevin's stand has the support of all the Catholic clergy and the Pope.

COLD STORAGE.

Calgary Herald: Stone & Company are still busy slaughtering cattle for Kootenay trade. Their contract with Mr. P. Burns calls for 500 head to be slaughtered and kept in cold storage for periodical shipment to Nelson and other mining centres. The animals are killed in batches of four at a time and dressed immediately after being shot down and bled. About twenty fat animals per day are thus disposed of and several men are kept busy. The carcasses are frozen before being placed in the store room and will keep in prime condition for weeks or even months if necessary.

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AGRICOLA.

The past season, although not productive of anything remarkable as regards the yield of crops, has proven conclusively that as good samples of wheat, oats, barley and even peas, can be produced here as in any part of the American continent. A large quantity of No. 1 hard wheat has been raised in this district and where sown in good time the proportion of frozen grain has been very small.

With improving prices farmers are looking forward hopefully to the future; and are preparing to increase the area of the cultivated lands and to erect new buildings. If the government can be induced to allow the settlers to cut dry timber gratis for their own use many new buildings will be erected next summer.

It is to be hoped that the policy of our new minister of the interior will not include the retention of the so-called immigration agents of the late department of immigration, whose capacity for enjoying a good time at the public expense was only equalled by their utter incompetence to secure for us a desirable class of immigrants. Many of the settlers from the United States have developed the nomadic instinct to such an extent that they are rarely satisfied to remain in one place for any length of time. In this district nearly all have returned to the United States. Some of those who remain are loudly announcing their intention to leave as soon as possible.

In ordinary business life it is generally conceded that a man requires some special qualification or adaptation to the line of business which he undertakes, but in the selection of agents to work in the interests of immigration the late administration soared far above any such paltry considerations as the qualifications of its agents for their work; with the sure result that after the expenditure of thousands of dollars of public funds, nothing at all has been actually accomplished, with the exception of the fact that Alberta is now known to be somewhere on the edge of the Arctic Circle by the vast majority of people outside of Canada.

If Mr. Sifton will turn his attention to our now people in the east, as possible settlers, he need not fear that it will be necessary for the department to provide food for them as well as to assist them by way of transportation to Alberta as was done for large numbers of the settlers brought here by Mr. Daly's agents during last year. For many years past there has been a regular flow of immigration to the United States from Ontario and ridiculous as it seems to be it is nevertheless quite true that not the very smallest effort was ever made by the government to divert the stream of emigration to our own Northwest. Five years ago your correspondent directed the attention of the ministry at Ottawa in a personal interview to this fact of the steady emigration to the United States from Canada, the reply was "we cannot appropriate Dominion funds to depopulate one portion of Canada for the settlement of another." But the depopulation went on. Hence we find that the most prosperous settlers of nearly all the Northwestern States are Canadians, men second to none in the whole world as pioneers.

The C. P. R. Co. with the laudable endeavor to keep eastern Canadians at home has persistently refused to grant the same passenger and freight rates to Canadians from Eastern Canada as are obtained by Americans, living, perhaps, only a few miles across the lines. The American living, say at Detroit, could obtain an immigrant's rate of one cent a mile, while the Canadian living just across the lines at Windsor would have to pay more than double as much to travel over precisely the same road.

Perhaps in the near future the Winnipeg Free Press may enlighten us as to the very peculiar policy of the C. P. R., which, while professing to move heaven and earth to populate the Northwest, has simply done everything possible to make the country inaccessible to our own eastern people and by exorbitant freight rates and evasion of paying taxes on lands sold but returned on their hands, has kept settlers in the Northwest from enjoying the many advantages the country offers.

OLD SHIPMENTS.

Jan 1st, to Nov. 27th, 1896.
2 cars oats and other grain.
9 cars cattle.
9 cars hay.
1,300 lbs. potatoes.
2,730 lbs. dressed meats.
23,420 lbs. butter and eggs.

GENERAL NEWS.

Mild weather is reported in Manitoba about December 12th.

Calgary has offered a reception to Messrs. Blair and Davies on their way east.

A business men's convention for Manitoba and the Territories will be held in Winnipeg on Feb. 4th.

Maceo the rebel Cuban general is now definitely announced as dead and buried. But the rebellion is as lively as ever.

Hon. Thos. Mayne Daly, who is now located in Rossland, has been gazetted as a notary public for the county of Kootenay.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN.

The N. W. M. P. held their annual ball and supper here on Monday the 15th, in their new mess room which was very tastefully decorated for the occasion. There was a large attendance of friends, especially from outside points, which is itself sufficient evidence of the popularity of the N. W. M. P. dances. Amongst those seen on the floor we noticed the following: Major and Mrs. Griesbach, Insp. and Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Almon, Mr. and Mrs. Adamson, Dr. and Mrs. Braithwaite, Mr. and Mrs. Cann, Mr. and Mrs. Grindley, Mr. and Mrs. Goodridge, Mr. and Mrs. Jellet, Mr. and Mrs. Karan, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Randall, Staff-Sergt. Sweetapple and wife, Sergt. Rudd and wife, Miss Griesbach, Miss Allison, Miss Matheson, Miss Stewart, Miss Pearce, &c. Dr. Wilson, F. M. Robertson, Seg. Nigroni, Mr. McNeil, Mr. J. E. Stewart, J. B. Ross, &c.

This week has been ball week—the agricultural society hall was held on the 16th, in the town hall and in point of attendance was a grand success, and as the immediate object was to raise funds to pay the prizes won at the fall show this was an important and pleasing future. Great interest was taken in a voting contest over a cake. Your correspondent failed to find out what the voting was really about. Whether voting on who took the cake, or cut it, or how many rings were embedded in it, was a puzzle; but as the financial result nets the society a goodly sum it matters little.

CAYOTE BOUNTY REGULATIONS.

Subject to the following regulations, a bounty of fifty cents may be paid for every cayote killed with in the electoral districts of St. Albert, Edmonton and Victoria, after the first day of January, 1897, and presented for bounty before the thirty first day of August, 1897.

JAMES GIBBONS.

Inspector of pelts.
Edmonton Dec. 14th, 1896.

The head and the skin of each cayote must be produced intact to the inspector by the person claiming the bounty.

The inspector shall use every means in his power to ascertain that the animal presented to him has been killed after the date first specified, and within the electoral districts of St. Albert, Edmonton and Victoria.

Should there be any doubts as to the facts, the inspector shall demand to be furnished with a statutory declaration to be made by the persons claiming the bounty, as to the bona fides of his claim, together with such corroborative evidence as he may require.

The inspector shall exercise a general supervision over the above districts, and keep himself informed as to the persons engaged in killing cayotes therein.

Any person not a resident of the districts, should, before commencing hunting therein, report to inspector in which portion of above districts he intends to operate.

Upon the production of the pelt of any cayote to him, and upon being satisfied that the animal was killed after the time and within the area prescribed, the inspector shall punch a portion out of both ears of the cayote, so as effectually prevent duplication, and may issue a warrant in the prescribed form for the amount of the bounty.

The full name of the person entitled to the bounty should appear in the warrant.

A cheque will be issued to the person named in the warrant, or to his assignee, upon the warrant being sent as a voucher to The Executive committee, Regina.

The inspector shall number consecutively and keep a list of all warrants issued, and shall send a copy of such list to The Executive committee, Regina, at the end of each month.

By order,

JOHN A. REID.

Clerk of The Executive committee.
Regina, Dec. 14th, '96.

ETNA CREAMERY.

The Etna Creamery is located on the St. Mary's river about ten miles south of Cardston, Alberta.

The building is 50x33. The basement has stone walls and the upper story is frame, six inch studding, boarded inside, clap-boarded outside and walls filled with sawdust. The making room is 20x38x8 feet ceiling. The cream and churning room is 14x22x15 feet ceiling with concrete floor. Ice house 9x17x8 feet ceiling. Refrigerator 9x9x7 feet ceiling. Printing and packing room 10x8x7 feet ceiling. Dairying room 49x32x8 feet ceiling.

The machinery comprises an upright 6 horse boiler, 4 horse engine, No. 2 Alexandra separator with capacity of 2,000 pounds of milk per hour, 2 milk vats 400 gallons each, 2 cream vats 100 gallons each, 1 pair 600 pounds scales, 400 gallon churn, Mason butter maker, 12 bottle milk tester. Complete outfit of creamery sundries. Also complete cheese making plant.

No skimming stations except at factory.

Butter manufactured during past season 7,646 pounds. Quantity of

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Jasper—W. D. McLean, P. B. Cunliffe, C. F. Stewart, Fort Saskatchewan; J. Hall, Chas. Pinkeo, Sturgeon; G. Sutherland, Spruce Grove; S. K. Larsen, Stony Plain; Daniel Keenan, South Edmonton; O. Osborne, Clover Bar; J. Champagne, E. Menard, N. Sylvestre, J. P. Des Oulieres, St. Albert.

Thursday.
Queen's—D. L. Clink, Ira Clink, Battle River; F. Marriaggi, L. Moret, Fort Saskatchewan; Felix Dzaack, Paul Toepfer, Beaver Creek.

Jasper—H. McGillivray, J. W. Dadds, Stony Plain; R. Hopgood, P. Anderson, Beaver Lake; G. Bull, T. R. Haddon, S. Gates, R. Pitkin, D. McKinlay, Sturgeon; J. Schell, Spruce Grove; N. P. White, Fort Saskatchewan; B. Brumfit, New Lunnun; A. Adamson, Agricola.

CURLING SCHEDULE.

The following schedule of games between the several rinks has been drawn up, to last until the end of January. Merchants' prizes will be distributed amongst the members of the rinks making the highest scores:

	No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lauder,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Shera,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Emery,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
McKay,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Taylor,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Osborne,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Raymer,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
M'Donald,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Vance,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Calder,	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

EDMONTON NORMAL.

K. W. McKenzie, principal of the Edmonton public schools, was informed by letter from J. A. Calder, school inspector, that a session for the training of teachers holding third class non-professional certificates will be held at Edmonton during the present winter. The exact date has not yet been fixed, but it will probably be in the first week of January. The session will be conducted by Inspector Calder and will continue nearly three months. Further particulars will be given later. This is an opportunity for young teachers that should be taken full advantage of as Mr. Calder's abilities are acknowledged and his methods up to date.

SONG SERVICE.

A gospel song service entitled "The man who spoiled the music," was given under the auspices of the women's mission circle of the Baptist church on Friday evening. There was a good attendance. The choir was taken by the pastor, Rev. C. B. Freeman, who gave a short opening address. The entertainment consisted in the rendering of a temperance story of the title given above, illustrated by suitable songs. The story was read by Mrs. Bellamy. The music included: "A chorus," solo by Mrs. C. B. Beals; duet, Misses Amelia and Louisa Umbach; solo, Miss Marion Umbach; song by the children; duet, Mrs. Beals and Miss Lottie Samis; chorus, solo, Mr. C. B. Beals. Ralph Bellamy presided at the organ. The proceedings were closed by the benediction by the pastor. A collection was taken up in aid of Indian missions.

FORT SASKATCHEWAN MILLS.

P. B. Cunliffe, of the Fort Saskatchewan Milling Co., was in town on Friday. The mill has been grinding since October 28th, and night and day since Nov. 27th. The output is now 50 barrels every 24 hours. About 15,000 bushels of wheat was bought for cash, at 60c to 63c, for No. 1. None is being bought by the company now, but a brisk exchange business is being done. So brisk that the company has not yet started to grind the wheat purchased for cash. Farmers who bought the mill get 35 pounds of flour, 10 lbs. bran and 3 lbs. shorts for 60 pounds of No. 1 wheat. Those who did not aid by bonus get 31 to 32 pounds of flour and the same amount of bran and shorts. Grain comes from all directions, some coming from Riviere Qui Barre, northwest of St. Albert, a distance of over thirty-five miles. The Sturgeon grist mill is grinding day and night as well for toll or cash. The toll is the 12th bushel. The output of both mills giving every satisfaction.

METEOROLOGICAL.

The following temperatures are reported from the Dominion government observatory, Edmonton, for the dates given:

	Max.	Min.
Thursday 17,	17	5
Friday 18,	32	5
Saturday 19,	34	14
Sunday 20,	34	17
Monday 21,	25	25

Barometer reduced to sea level 29.855.

SCHOOL LAW.

In reply to the enquiry made in the BULLETIN of Monday, Dec. 14, as to the right of trustees to keep a school open for a whole year although they have not the requisite number of pupils available which under the compulsory clauses would require them to keep it open for six months; it may be said that there is no regulation definitely and absolutely governing the action of the trustees in the matter. If they choose to keep the school open with an average attendance of less than six they may do so, but in that case the whole salary of the teacher would come out of the taxes of the district, as the government only contributes to the teacher's salary when there is an average attendance of six or over. Usually this is a sufficient guarantee against the school being kept open unnecessarily.

SPOKANE AND KOOTENAY.

P. A. O'Farrell writing from Rossland to a Vancouver paper says: "If the Crow's Nest Pass railway be built immediately and Ontario and Quebec capital continue to invest in the Kootenay mines, Toronto will be to Kootenay what London is to South Africa, its heart and centre. Spokane and Butte are the only two American cities that are liable to reap a rich harvest from the Kootenay. Eighty per cent. of the mines of Kootenay are practically owned in Spokane, and the benefit accruing to that town from the Kootenay mines is simply beyond belief; there is more life, more energy, more business, more of that hopeful-go-ahead-ness in Spokane today than there is in probably any other city of the continent, and it is due mainly to the stimulus derived from the mines of the Kootenay."

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

Commercial, Dec. 14.
Wheat prices are lower in Manitoba country markets, but prices are so irregular that it is difficult to give any regular quotations. The nominal price for No. 1 hard wheat to farmers, at 18c freight rate points to Fort William is 63c, which is 3c lower than a week ago, but prices vary very widely, ranging all the way from 59c at western points to 66c at other points. The markets are governed by local conditions at different points. There is very little doing in country markets in Manitoba, but at some points from Moosomin to Moosejaw, in Assiniboia, there is considerable wheat coming in, and quite a lot of wheat is held yet at some of these western points by farmers.

Prices of oats are about the same as quoted last week. Car lots on track here have been quoted from 24c per bushel of 34 pounds for feed quality up to 27 for choice. A few cars have been sold for the woods. The street price in Winnipeg ranges from 20c to 23c as to quality to farmers. In Eastern Canada market prices are easy and rather lower this week.

The market is decidedly easier for butter. The western trade is stocked up for the winter, and there is very little demand for dairy goods. The local city trade is largely supplied by farmers. While western buyers were stocking up, there was a good demand here, and some rather extreme prices were paid. As indicated in the Commercial at the time, the market has been very dull since this trade was supplied, consequently prices have declined fully 2 cents from the extreme figures paid a few weeks ago. One of the peculiarities of the situation is, the both dairy and creamery butter shipped from Manitoba to Montreal, has been shipped back west again for the trade. A lot of Manitoba dairy was purchased a short time ago in Montreal at 12c and shipped west, and a car of Manitoba creamery was also shipped to the coast from Montreal. Even if there were a good western demand, fancy prices could not be had here, in the face of the easy market at Montreal, as western buyers could buy in the latter market. We quote good dairy at 14c, cutters thrown out, in round lots. Creamery is held in a jobbing way at 22 to 23 cents.

Dealers are still paying 20 cents per dozen for receipts of fresh eggs and selling limited at 17 cents. Some eastern eggs have been offered.

Ontario turkeys and geese are offering. The supply of Manitoba poultry is moderate, and the quality is not choice, or much of it. There is a good demand. Prices are as follows: chickens, 6 to 7c per lb; turkeys, 11 to 12c per lb; ducks and geese 8 to 9c per lb. Jobbing prices are about 1 cent higher than these quotations.

SOUTH AFRICAN MINES.

Exchange: Barneto consols, which in October of last year could not be had for less than £5 15s, were selling in November of this year for £1 12s. 6d. Shares in the Buffelsdoorn mine, which a year ago commanded £2 2s. 6d., can be had for £1 17s. 6d. The Spea Bona fell in the twelve months from £3 to 17s. 6d. This is a fearful slump. What makes matters worse, the companies are registered under the Transvaal laws, so that European stockholders are deprived of any control over their affairs, and the direction of the companies are in no way amenable to the provisions of the Joint Stock Companies act. Moral: Beware of Boer Republics.

CURLING.

The following is the result of the match President vs. Vice-President:

Taylor,	10-4	Raymer,
Emery,	8-4	Vance,
Osborne,	17-8	Calder,
Shera,	8-11	McKay,
Lauder,	11-7	McDonald,

54 25

NO GO.

In view of the announcements of opposition by the Roman Catholic laity of Manitoba, to the school settlement it may be mentioned that an attempt was recently made to get the Catholic school trustees of St. Boniface to resolve on the subject, and failed.

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15-16

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12-15

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JAMES MOWAT, Otter Creek Ranch.

9th Dec. 1896.

12-18

STRAYED

STRAYED.
Came to my premises, St. Albert settlement, early in summer of 1896, a black mare, white strip on face, no brand visible.

OCTAVE BELLORE, St. Albert.

12-17

STRAYED

STRAYED.
Came to my premises, Sec. 25-56-26, Egg Lake settlement, early in spring of 1896, a bay colt, year and a half old, white spot on forehead. No brand. Clydesdale stock.

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12-17

STRAYED

STRAYED.
Came to the premises of the subscriber, Sec. 16-52-23, about one month ago, two yearling steers, no brands visible. Also one two-year-old red heifer. Owner is requested to prove property, pay expenses and take away.

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11-16

STRAYED

STRAYED.
Came to my place, southeast quarter Sec. 22, Tp. 49, R. 22, west 4th, on Nov. 22nd, a sorrel stallion about three years old. No brand.

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9-15

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